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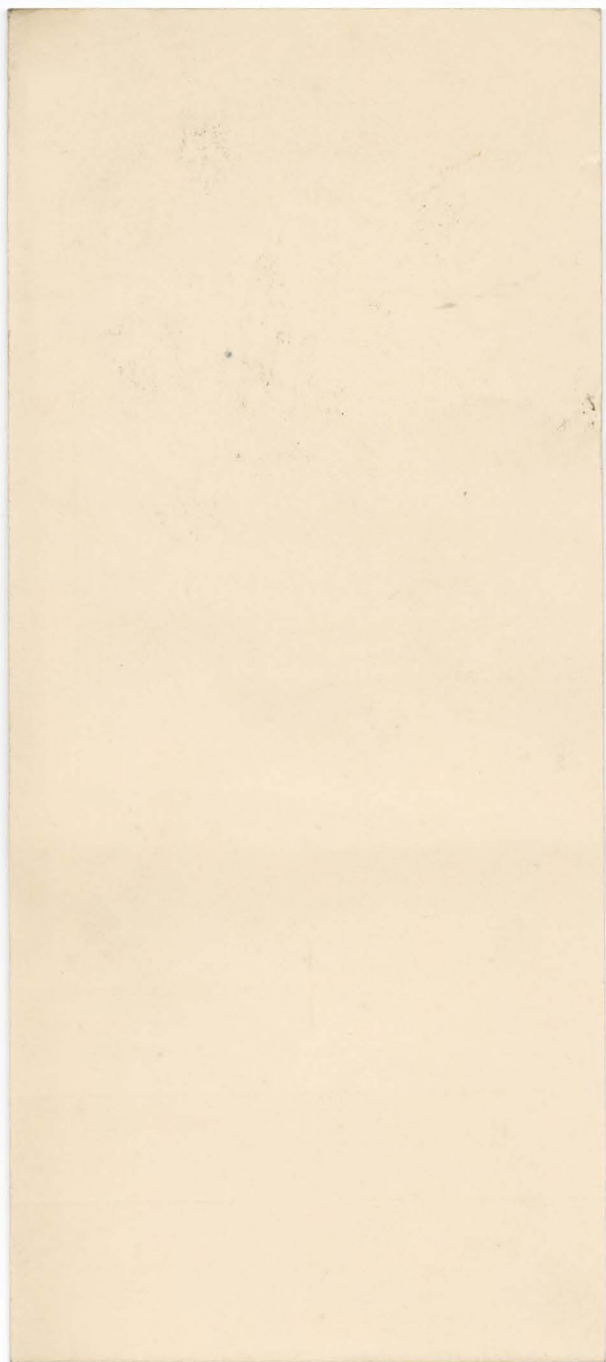
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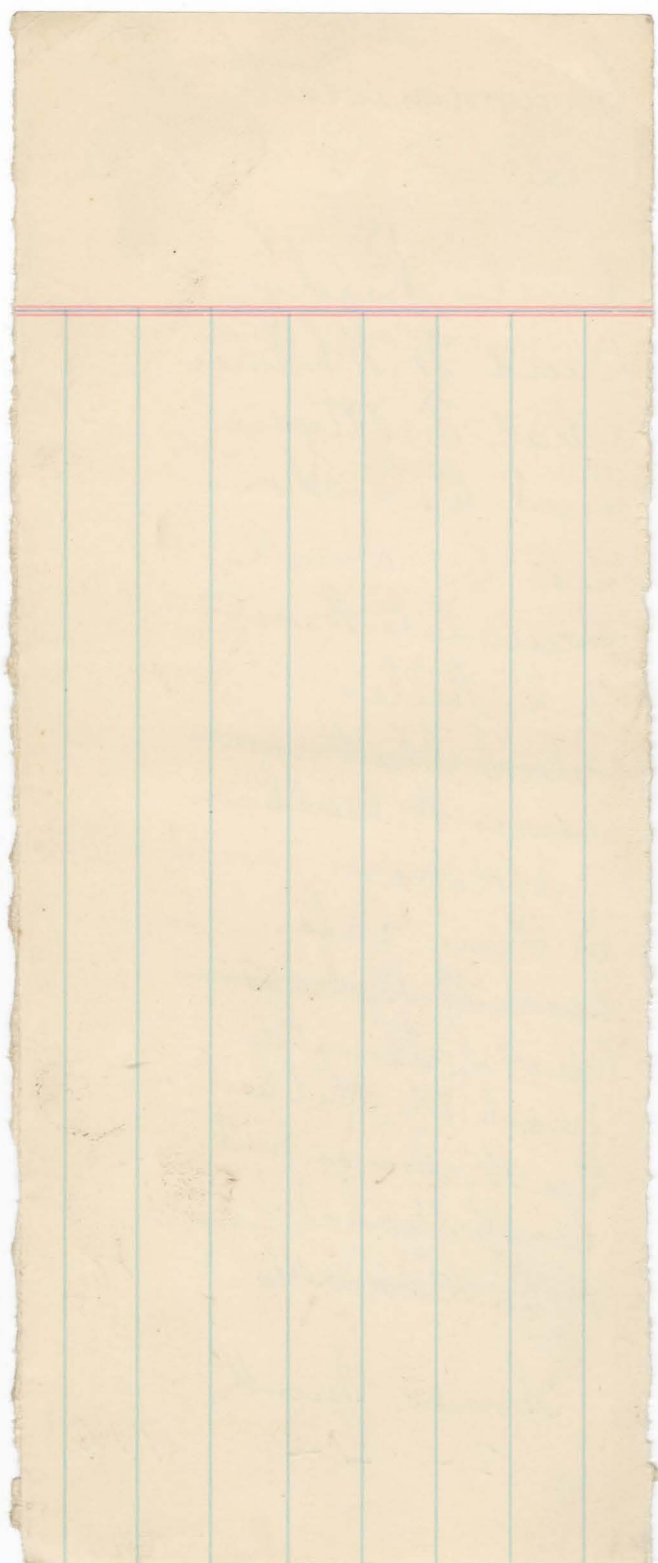
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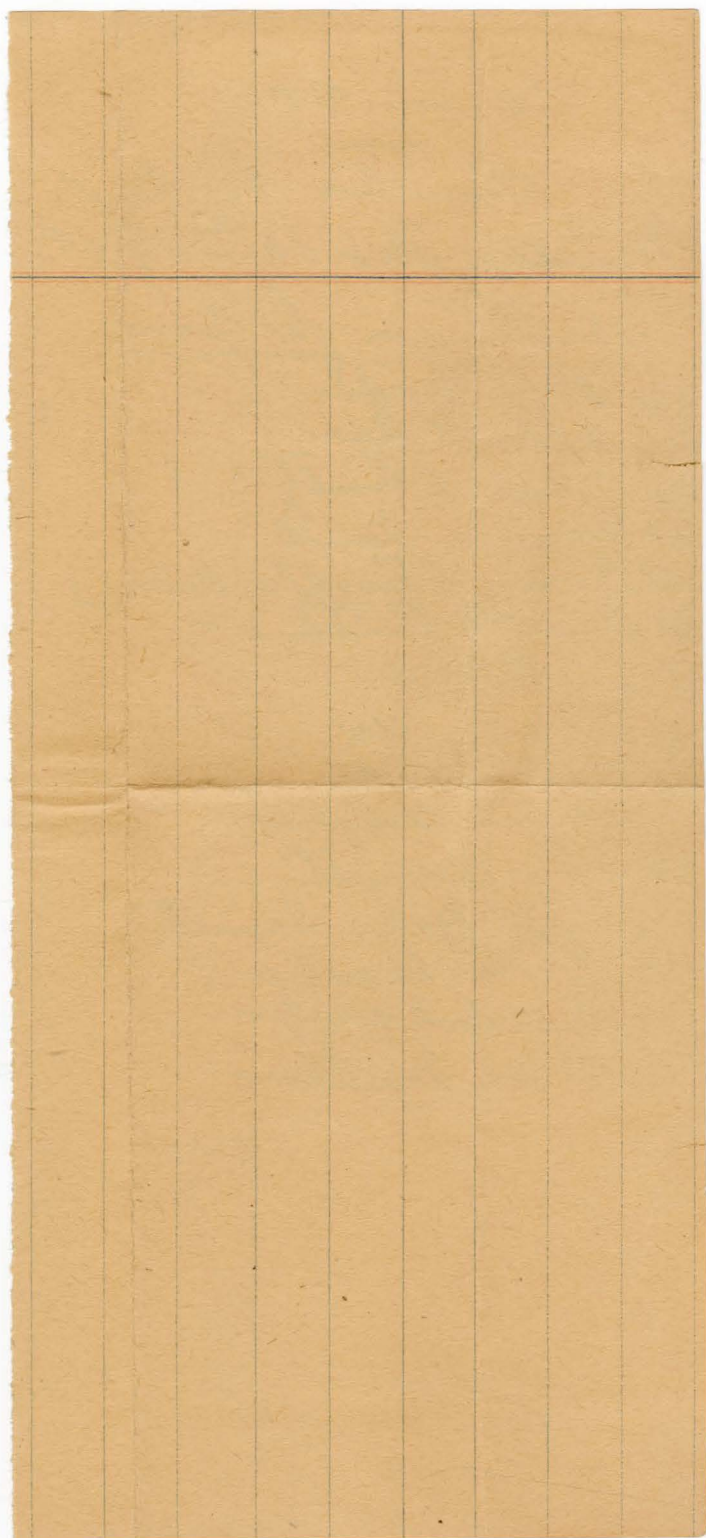
Cow. vs.

Curtis Reedy

Monday Feb. 10th 1905.

Witnesses for Cow.

- (1) Dr. Dodd
- (2) Albert Lee
- (3) Jack. Shultz
- (4) Monroe Lamb.
- (5) Katie Stroop (or Reedy)
- (6) Dewitt Ritchie -
- (7) Ed. Reedy -
- (8) Peter Miller
- (9) Frank Will
- (10) David Myers.
- (11) Thos. Smith
- (12) Capt. John Smith
- (13) Denton Beeber
- (14) Crawford Huff -
- (15) S. M. Mohler -



The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To the ^{Sheriff} ~~Constable~~ of Rockingham District---Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon D. Dodd, Albert Lee, Jack

Sluutz, Monroe Lamb, Katie Wood, Or Reedy, Dewitt Ritchie, Ed Reedy,
Peter Miller, Frank Will, Samuel Myers, Thos. Smith, Capt.
John Smith, Bertie Beaker, Crawford Neff, and S. M. Mohler

to appear before Wm. J. Poind, a Justice of said District, at

Harrisonburg on the 10th day of

February ^{at 10 AM} 1908, to testify and the truth to say on behalf of

The Commonwealth of Virginia

in a certain matter of controversy in said Court depending and undetermined, between

Said Commonwealth and Curtis Reedy

And this they shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And thave then and there this Writ.

Witness Wm. J. Poind, Justice of the Peace, the 5th

day of February, 1908, and in the 32nd year of the Commonwealth.

Wm. J. Poind J. P.

Executed Feb 7 by delivering a true office

copy of the within Summons to Each of the with in names

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except Thomas Smith served out his notice at his place of a Hod

& kept John Smith on his wife Medie Smith

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J. J. Law

Deputy for

E. J. CARICKHOFF, S. R. C.

County of Virginia

vs } County of Va

Curto Reeds -

Sumner -

D. Doda

Alben Lee

Murror Smith

Water. Short or Reeds

Bennett Reigate

Ed Reeds

Peter Miller

Frank Will

Lammal Mingo

Wm. Smith

Capt. John Smith

Walter Reeder

Overford Mott

A. W. M. Miller

at 10/05 at 10 a.m.

SHERIFF FEE \$

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The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To the ~~Constable~~ ^{Sheriff} of Rockingham District Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon D. Ritchie, Joe Shultz,
Martin Mohler, J. W. Myers, Harvey Smith,
Jack Shultz, Mrs. Minnie Shultz

to appear before W. J. Poindor, a Justice of said District, at
Harrisonburg on the 10th day of
February, 1908, to testify and the truth to say on behalf of

Curtis Reedy (Def.)
in a certain matter of controversy in said Court depending and undetermined, between
said Defendant and Commonwealth of Virginia

And this they shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And thave
then and there this Writ.

Witness W. J. Poindor, Justice of the Peace, the 5th
day of February, 1908, and in the 32nd year of the Commonwealth.

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Jack Shultz Mrs Minnie Shultz in person

J. T. Lam Deputy for

E. J. CARICKHOFF, S. R. C.

Curtis Reeds

ads { Dept. of
Comm. of the

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D. Ritchie

Joe Shultz

Martin Mohler

J. W. Myers

Harry Smith

Jack Shultz

Mrs. Minnie Shultz

To Feb. 10/08 at 10 AM.

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SHERIFF FEE \$

The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To the ~~Comptroller~~ ^{Sheriff} of Rockingham District---Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

Jacob Baker and Chas. T. Acker

to appear before Wm. J. Poind, a Justice of said District, at

Harrisonburg on the 24th day of

February, 1908, at 10 A.M. to testify and the truth to say on behalf of

the Comunt^h of Virginia

in a certain matter of controversy in said Court depending and undetermined, between

said Comunt^h and Curtis Reese

And this th^y shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And thave then and there this Writ.

Witness Wm. J. Poind, Justice of the Peace, the 17th day of February, 1908, and in the 32nd year of the Commonwealth.

Wm. J. Poind J. P.

Executed, Feb 17./1908. By Delivering to Charls
Acker & Jacob Baker. Each in person a true copy
of the within summon,

W. L. Dullord -- Deputy For,
E. J. CARICKHOFF. S. R. C.

Comm. of Va

W. L. Dullord

Curtis Reedy

Reedman

Jacob Baker

Chas. Y. Acker

to

Feb. 24/08 at 10 AM.

SHERIFF FEE \$ 60.

The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To the ~~Constable~~ ^{Sheriff} of Rockingham District---Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon D. Ritchie, Joe Shultz, Martin Mohler, Jud Morris, Harvey Smith, Jack Shultz, and Mrs Minnie Shultz to appear before Wm. J. Poindexter, a Justice of said District, at Harrisonburg, at 2 P. M. on the 1st day of February, 1908, to testify and the truth to say on behalf of the Commonwealth of Virginia Curtis Reedy in a certain matter of controversy in said Court depending and undetermined, between said Commonwealth and Curtis Reedy

And this they shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And thave then and there this Writ.

Witness Wm. J. Poindexter, Justice of the Peace, the 27th day of January, 1908, and in the 32nd year of the Commonwealth.
Wm. J. Poindexter J. P.

Entered Jan 27 1908 By delivering a
true office copy of the writ in Nelson
J. W. Sam Deputy for J. Carverhoff S.R.C.

Curtis Reeds
ads
Committee of Va

Sumner

D. Ritchie

Joe Shultz

Martin Mohler

Ed Morris

Harvey Smith

Jack Shultz

Mrs. Minnie Shultz

To Feb 1/08 at 10 Am.

SHERIFF FEE \$ 1.40

The Commonwealth of Virginia.

To the ~~Constable~~ ^{Sheriff} of Rockingham District---Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Aug. Spitzer
Sam Smith, Newton Meff, and Chas.
Empswille

to appear before Wm. J. Poole, a Justice of said District, at
Harrisonburg on the 24th day of
February, 1908, at 10 AM, to testify and the truth to say on behalf of

Curtis Reedy, Deft.
in a certain matter of controversy in said Court depending and undetermined, between
said Curtis Reedy and the Comm^t of Virginia

And this they shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And have then and there this Writ.

Witness Wm. J. Poole, Justice of the Peace, the 15th
day of February, 1908, and in the 32nd year of the Commonwealth.

Wm. J. Poole J. P.

Executed Feb 20 1908 By Delivering a true
office copy of the within Summons Angel Spitzer &
Sam Smith Nute Neff Charlie subminded
in person J. T. Ham, J.S. for E. J. Conrathoff
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Curtis Reed,
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Comm. of Agr
Agriculture
Aug. Spitzer
Sam Smith
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Chas. Eupwiller

Feb. 24/08 at 10 AM

SHERIFF FEE \$ 8.00

Dr. Points! -

Please summon, in Court ^{to} v Reedy:

Witnesses for Reedy.

~~Isaac M. ...~~

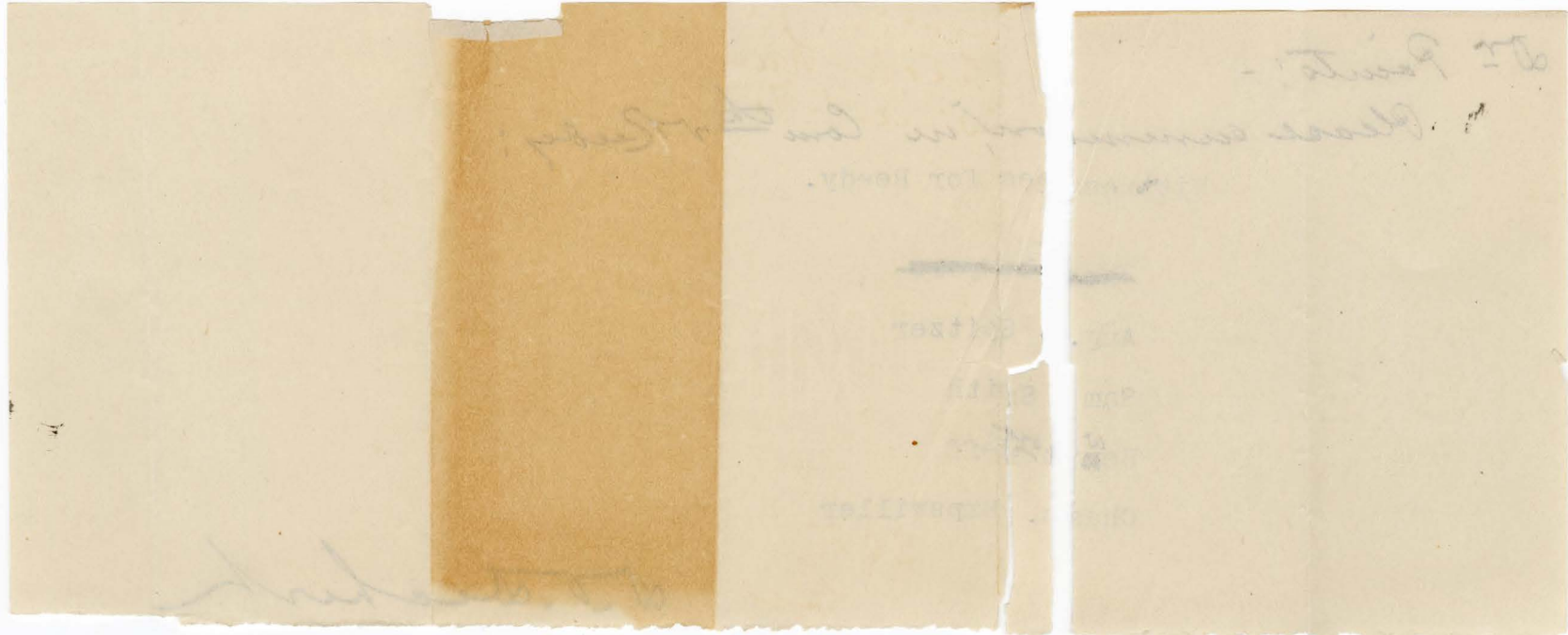
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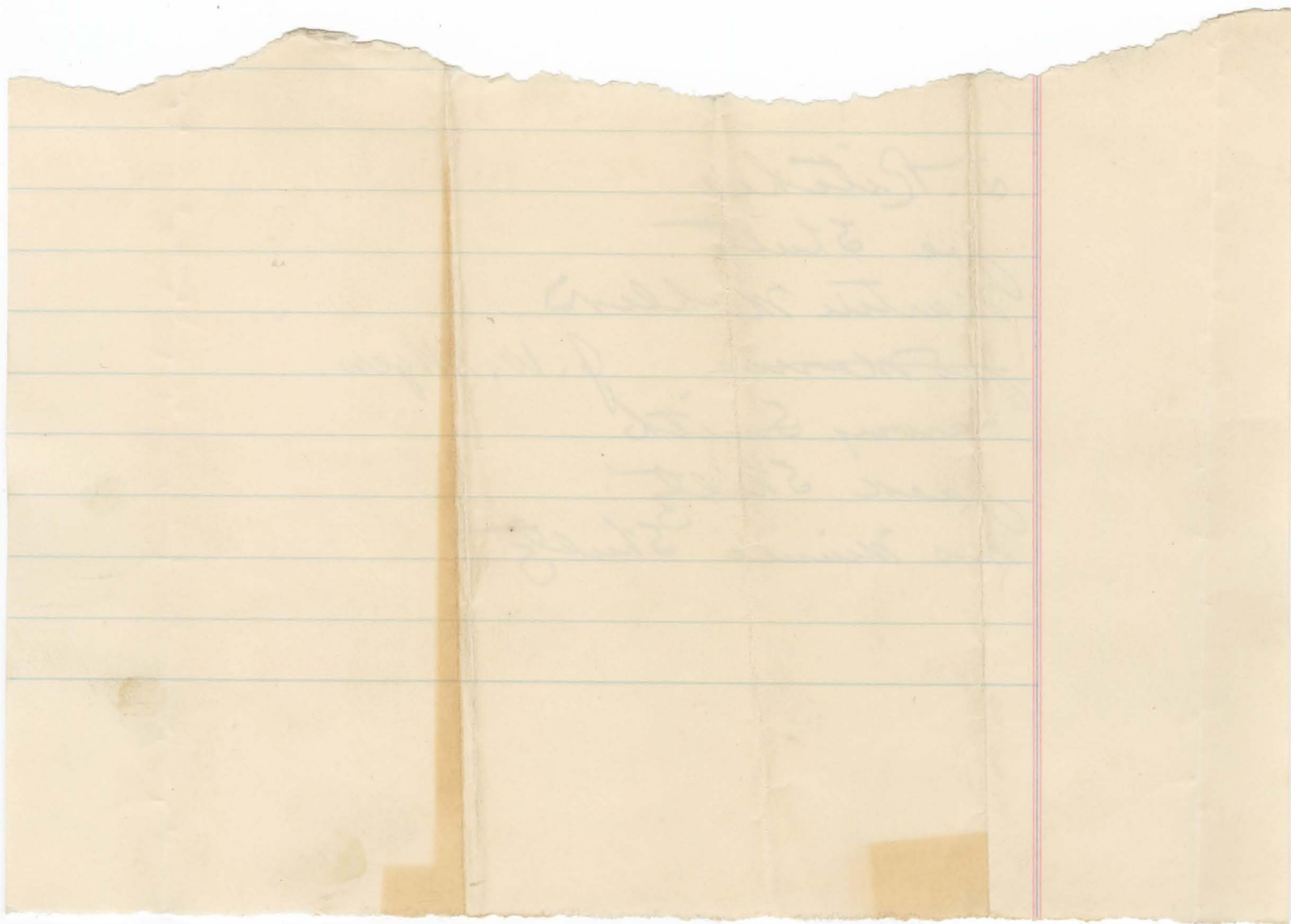
Martin Mohler

Joe Morris J. W. Myers

Harvey Smith

Jack Shultz

Mrs. Minnie Shultz.



D. O. DECHERT,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA.

2/4/08.

Dear Doctor: -

By mistake, I gave you the name of
J. W. Morris as a witness for Reedy, instead
of J. W. Myers, who is the witness wanted.
Will you kindly issue summons in the
true name?

Yours,

D. O. Decherk

D. O. DECKERT,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA.

2/4/08.

Dear Doctor:

I regret to hear of
the mistake you have made
in your letter for the
purpose of the witness
in the case.

Yours
D. O. Deckert

Curtis Ruddy Parlett
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Monday July 24/08 at
10 o'clock A.M.

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY,

TO-WIT:

To

J. J. Lane Dept Sheriff

Constable of said County:

WHEREAS,

P. D. Reedy

of the s

aid county, has this day made

complaint and information on oath before me,

Geo A Neff

a

Justice of the said county, that

Courtis Reedy

of the said county, on the

25th day of January

1908, in the said county, did

*unlawfully shoot me with shot guns and
Damage my Dwelling House by Breaking out
some of the windows. He shot me with one
load of shot which hurts me very badly
and he tryed his best to kill me when he
shot me with intent to maim, disfigure and kill me*

These are therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to comma

nd you forthwith to apprehend

and bring before me, or some othr Justice of the said County, the body of the

said *Courtis*

Reedy

to answer the said complaint, an to be farther dealt with according to law. A

nd you are required to summon

to appear and give evidence in half of the Commonwealth, on the examinati

on touching the said offence.

Given under my hand an seal this

*26th day of January
Geo A. Neff*

in the year 1908

J. P. [SEAL.]

If you find the prisoner not guilty - you will say so and no more.

If you find the prisoner guilty - in manner & form as charged in the indictment - you will say so and ascertain his punishment - which shall be confinement - in the penitentiary not less than one year nor more than ten ~~or if you find the~~

prisoner not guilty - of wilful & malicious assault - as charged in the indictment - but guilty - of unlawful assault - with intent to maim disfigure disable or kill P. A. Rudy you will say so & ascertain his punishment - which shall be confinement - in the penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years or confinement - in jail not exceeding twelve months & fined not exceeding \$500.

If you find the prisoner not guilty - of either of the felonies aforesaid but guilty - of assault - & battery you will say so & ascertain his punishment - which shall be fine of not less than \$500 or confinement - in jail or jail.

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Refused

~~Given~~

Not applicable to evidence of mis-
leading - so far as correct sufficiently
covered by other instructions

The jury are instructed that even though they may believe from the evidence that at the time of the shooting of Phillip A. Reedy the defendant, Curtis Reedy, was present upon his premises, yet unless they believe, beyond every reasonable doubt from the evidence, either that he, the said Curtis Reedy, fired the shot whereby the said Phillip A. Reedy was injured, or that besides being present, the said Curtis Reedy was aiding and abetting the party who did fire said shot, they must find the defendant not guilty.

Comm.

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Reedy

(Inst. Paper)

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Revised

The jury are instructed that even though they may believe that on the afternoon of the 25th of January, 1908, the defendant, Curtis Reedy, in a conversation with Jacob Myers by telephone, used the language attributed to him by witnesses for the Commonwealth, namely, "We can't do that to-night; it don't suit some of the parties; can't shoot without a gun; got no money.", yet they cannot consider that as evidence in itself of any plan or arrangement wherein the defendant, Curtis Reedy, was a participant for the doing of any unlawful act against Phillip A. Reedy.

The Court instructs the jury that if they believe, from the evidence, a serious wound was inflicted by the prisoner upon Phillip Reedy, with a gun in the previous possession of the prisoner, the law presumes malice from the fact of such shooting and wounding.

The Court instructs the jury that if they believe, from the

evidence in this case, that the defendant is guilty of the crime charged,

the law presumes malice from the fact of such shooting and resulting

The Court instructs the jury that though they believe from the evidence that Curtis Reedy did not actually fire the shot which wounded Phillip A. Reedy, yet if they believe said shot was fired at said Phillip A. Reedy by some other person with intent to maim, disfigure, disable or kill said Phillip A. Reedy, and said Curtis Reedy was present aiding or abetting in the said offense, then the jury may find the said Curtis Reedy guilty, as though he had personally fired said shot.

The Court instructs the jury that though they believe from
the evidence that Curtis had a motive for killing the man
named in the indictment, they are not to find that he
did so unless they believe from the evidence that he
did so with intent to kill. The Court instructs the jury
that if they believe from the evidence that Curtis
did so with intent to kill, they are to find that he
did so. The Court instructs the jury that if they
believe from the evidence that Curtis did so, they
are to find that he did so.

Given

The Court instructs the jury that every person charged with crime is presumed to be innocent until he is proven guilty beyond every reasonable doubt, and that if the Commonwealth has failed to prove by the evidence in this case any fact essential to their belief in the guilt of the accused, beyond every reasonable doubt, it is their duty to acquit the prisoner.

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Given

The Court instructs the jury that it is not incumbent upon the defendant in this case to point out by evidence any other person as the perpetrator of the offense charged in the indictment, but that he is entitled to be acquitted unless the evidence shows, beyond every reasonable doubt that the defendant is guilty of the crime.

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The Court instructs the jury that it is not incumbent upon the
prosecution to prove the guilt of the defendant beyond a reasonable
doubt of the probability of the offense charged in the indictment, but
that he is entitled to be acquitted unless the evidence shows be-
yond every reasonable doubt that the defendant is guilty of the
crime.

Given

The Court instructs the jury that in the absence of any evidence showing or tending to show that prior to the commission of the offense charged in the indictment, there had been any arrangement or plan agreed upon between Curtis Reedy and Jacob Myers for the perpetration of an unlawful act against Phillip A. Reedy, they cannot consider as evidence against the defendant, Curtis Reedy, any act or declaration on the part of the said Jacob Myers, even though they may believe that such acts or declarations on the part of Jacob Myers show or tend to show that he may have had some connection with the offense charged in the indictment,

unless they further believe from the evidence beyond all reasonable doubt, that Curtis Reedy either fired the shot that wounded Phillip Reedy, or was present aiding and abetting the party who did fire the shot

Given

The jury are instructed that even though they may believe from the evidence, beyond every reasonable doubt, that the shooting of Phillip A. Reedy was in consequence of some previous plan or arrangement to which Curtis Reedy, the defendant, was a party, that nevertheless, if they further believe that by the telephone conversation between the said Curtis Reedy and the said Jacob Myers, shown to have occurred on the afternoon of the 25th day of January 1908, the said Curtis Reedy announced his intention to abandon, so far as he was concerned, such plan or arrangement, then unless they further believe from the evidence that such plan or arrangement was subsequently renewed on the part of said Curtis Reedy, or that he was actually present and fired the shot which wounded Phillip A. Reddy, or was then and there aiding or abetting the person who did fire such shot, they must find the defendant not guilty.

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The Court instructs the jury that although the burden rests upon the Commonwealth to make out its case against the accused, Curtis Reedy, to the exclusion of any reasonable doubt, yet where said Curtis Reedy relies upon or attempts to prove an alibi in his defense the burden of proof said alibi rests upon said Curtis Reedy.

Thompson vs. Commonwealth 88 Va. page 45.

12 S. E. Rep. 304.

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Thompson vs. Commonwealth 22 Va. page 45.

12 S. E. Rep. 304.

Commonwealth of Virginia,

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, To-wit:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SAID COUNTY:

The jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of the County of Rockingham,
and now attending the said Court at its.....*March*.....term, in the year 190.....*8*,

upon their oaths present that.....
Curtis Reedy and Jacob Myers

on the.....*25th*.....day of.....*January*....., in the year 190.....*8*, in the said County,

did.....*with a certain gun there and there loaded with gun powder and*
leaden shot feloniously and with their malice aforethought did shoot
one Philip A. Reedy with intent him the said Philip A. Reedy then
and there to mair, disfigure, disable and kill.

against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

Upon the evidence of.....*P.A. Reedy, Harvey Smith, Dr Brewer John Myers D.F.*
Ritchie, Katie Stoupe,.....witness... sworn in open Court and sent to the
Grand Jury to give evidence.

.....Clerk.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SAID COUNTY:
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, To-wit:
Commonwealth of Virginia

See the jury find the prisoner
not guilty.
Dissicis
Foreman

Commonwealth

2S. } INDICTMENT. for a
Quis Ready Street Mysie

A TRUE BILL.

J. B. S. Rhodes
Foreman.

Friday, March 20/19
Mar 20 1908
amount \$2.00
Jury & Marshal
of N.S.
W. P. Davis
as Secretary